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SUBJ: JAPANESE SALMON VIOLATIONS

REF: TOKYO 8142

1. IN FOLLOW UP TO EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATIONS TO FONOFF JUNE 20 (RETEL), REGFISHATT DISCUSSED TWO SALMON VIOLATIONS WITH AKIRA MATSUURA, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, FISHERIES AGENCY, EMPHASIZING SERIOUS NATURE OF INCIDENTS. MATSUURA (WHO RECENTLY SUCCEEDED OHBA) EXPRESSED REGRETS AND STATED THAT STERN WARNINGS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO FLEET TO AVOID FURTHER INCIDENTS. IN REFERENCE TO SECOND INCIDENT, HE ADDED THAT AN INVESTIGATION IS BEING CONDUCTED AND SEVERE PENALTIES WILL BE IMPOSED SHOULD VIOLATION BE CONFIRMED.

2. IN ELABORATION OF LATTER POINT, HONDA (FIRST NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION, FONOFF) TOLD EMBASSY THAT FONOFF HAD BEEN ADVISED BY FISHERIES AGENCY EVENING JUNE 20 THAT IT VERY PORBABLE THAT MYOJIN MARU NO. 1 HAD VIOLATED CONVENTION LINE AND VESSLE HAD BEEN ORDERED TOO RETURN TO KUSHIRO. IF FISHERIES AGENCY DETERMINES ON BASIS ITS INVESTIGATION THAT

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VESSEL VIOLATED CONVENTION LINE, GOJ WILL QTE OF COURSE PUN-

ISH VERY SEVERELY UNQTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH DOMESTIC REGULATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO INPFC SECRETARIAT.

3. EMBASSY UNABLE REINFORCE ITS JUNE 20 REPRESENTATIONS AT HIGHER LEVEL IN FONOFF DUE TO ABSENCE OF FUKADA AND INVOLVEMENT OF MATSUURA AND NUMATA IN ABCC NEGOTIATIONS. HOWEVER, EMBASSY INTENDS FOLLOW UP NEXT WEEK.
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